

Claim 34 (currently amended): A gelatin composition comprising 83 to 93% by weight of fish gelatin, 7 to 17% by weight of water and 0.01 to 10% by weight of a hydrocolloid setting system containing at least one of the following, natural seaweeds, natural seed gums, natural plant exudates, natural fruit extracts, bio-synthetic gums, bio-synthetic processed starch, cellulosic materials and polysaccharides[.] said hydrocolloid setting system providing the gelatin composition with gelling properties similar to non-fish gelatin containing gelatin compositions so that the gelatin compositions may be used to make hard gelatin capsules.

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Claims 35-40 (withdrawn)

Claim 41 (previously added): The gelatin composition according to claim 34 wherein the hydrocolloid setting system contains polysaccharides.

Claims 42-53 (withdrawn)

Claim 54 (previously added): A container for housing a unit dosage form of an active agent comprising the gelatin composition of claim 34.

Claim 55 (previously added): The container according to claim 54 wherein the active agent is selected from the group consisting of agrochemicals, seeds, herbs, foodstuffs, dyestuffs, pharmaceuticals, and flavoring agents.

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Claim 56 (previously added): The container according to claim 55, wherein the active agent is a pharmaceutical agent.

Claim 57 (previously added): The container according to claim 54 further comprising a coating.

Claims 58 and 59 (withdrawn)

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Claim 60 (previously added): The container according to claim 54, comprising capsule portions sealed together with at least one layer of the gelatin composition.

Claim 61 (previously added): The container according to claim 60, wherein the capsule portions are sealed together by a liquid fusion process.

Claim 62 (previously added): A method of forming gelatin capsules comprising dipping a capsule forming mold into an aqueous gelatin solution containing fish gelatin in an amount of 10 to 60% by weight and a hydrocolloid setting system in an amount of 0.01 to 5% by weight.
